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Dear Sir:

The Attorneys for Applicant in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.97-1.99 bring the following references (copies enclosed) to the attention of the Examiner:

U.S. Patent 3,606,934
Issued: September 21, 1971
Title: BOAT LADDER
Inventor: Johansen

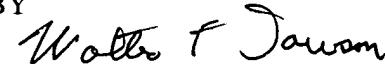
U.S. Patent	4,146,941
Issued:	April 3, 1979
Title:	BOAT BOW LADDER ASSEMBLY
Inventor:	Haslam
U.S. Patent	4,153,137
Issued:	May 8, 1979
Title:	BOAT LADDER
Inventor:	Johnson
U.S. Patent	5,123,372
Issued:	June 23, 1992
Title:	LADDER ARRANGEMENT FOR A WATERCRAFT
Inventor:	Kobayashi et al.
U.S. Patent	5,896,946
Issued:	April 27, 1999
Title:	BOARDING LADDER AND WINCH MOUNT SYSTEM FOR BOAT TRAILERS AND THE LIKE
Inventor:	Brackett
U.S. Patent	6,145,621
Issued:	November 14, 2000
Title:	BOARDING LADDER FOR A BOAT BOW
Inventor:	Nye

Applicant's attorneys have prepared and enclose herewith the Information Disclosure Statement Form PTO-1449 for the Attention of the Examiner.

The claims of the above application are considered to define patentable subject matter over the above patent or combination thereof.

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